IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown below:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A computer system comprising:
- a processor coupled to a bus;
- a memory unit coupled to said bus;
- a display screen coupled to said bus;
- a digitizer coupled to said bus;

a case for supporting said processor, said memory unit, said display screen and said digitizer, said case having a slot located therein for receiving a stylus, wherein said slot comprises a longitudinal an opening at one end of said slot for receiving said stylus;

- a non-mechanical detector for detecting said stylus in said slot;
- a switch coupled to said non-mechanical detector for generating a signal to power up said processor, said display screen and said digitizer when said stylus is removed from said slot and wherein said switch is also for generating a signal to place said processor, said display screen and said digitizer into a power conservation mode when said stylus is inserted into said slot.

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2. (Cancelled)

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- 3. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 wherein said detector is located within said slot and is an optical detector.
- 4. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 wherein said detector is located within said slot and is an electrical detector.
- (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 wherein said computer system is a palmtop computer system.
- 6. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 further comprising a battery, wherein said battery constantly supplies power to said memory unit but selectively supplies power to said processor, said display screen and said digitizer based on a mode of said switch.
- 7. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 and further comprising an on/off button for placing said processor, said display screen and said digitizer into said power conservation mode when pressed while said computer system is powered on and wherein said on/off button is for powering on said processor, said display screen and said digitizer when pressed while said computer system is in said power conservation mode.
- 8. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 wherein said digitizer comprises:

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a first region for capturing stroke data associated with alphabetic characters and not numeric characters; and

a second region for capturing stroke data associated with numeric characters and not alphabetic characters.

- (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 1 wherein said digitizer is separate in area from said display screen.
- 10. (Currently Amended) In a computer system comprising a processor, a memory unit, a display screen and a digitizer, a method of using said computer system comprising the steps of:
- a) detecting non-mechanically a user removing a stylus from a slot in a case, said case supporting said processor, said memory unit, said display screen and said digitizer, wherein said slot comprises a longitudinal an opening at one end of said slot for receiving said stylus;
- b) In response to said detecting non-mechanically a user removing said stylus responsive to said step a), automatically placing said processor, said display screen and said digitizer in a full power-up mode to power-up said computer system;
- e) detecting non-mechanically a user inserting said stylus into said slot of said case;
- d) in response to said detecting non-mechanically a user inserting said stylus responsive to said step c), automatically placing said processor, said Serial No.: 09/522,274

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display screen and said digitizer in a power conservation mode to power-down said computer system

- 11. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 10 wherein said steps a) and b) detecting non-mechanically a user removing said stylus and said detecting non-mechanically a user inserting said stylus are implemented using a detector mounted in said slot of said case and a switch.
 - 12. (Cancelled)

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- 13. (Original) A method as described in Claim 11 wherein said detector is located within said slot and is an optical detector.
- (Original) A method as described in Claim 11 wherein said detector is located within said slot and is an electrical detector.
- 15. (Original) A method as described in Claim 10 wherein said computer system is a palmtop computer system.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A method as described in Claim 10 further comprising the step of constantly supplying power to said memory unit.

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- e) provided said computer system is powered-up, powering-down said processor, said display screen and said digitizer when said on/off button is pressed: and
- A provided said computer system is powered-down, powering-up said processor, said display screen and said digitizer when said on/off button is pressed.

- 18. (Previously Amended) A computer system comprising:
- a processor coupled to a bus;
- a memory unit coupled to said bus;
- a display screen coupled to said bus;
- a digitizer coupled to said bus;
- a case for supporting said processor, said memory unit, said display screen and said digitizer, said case having a slot located therein for receiving a hinge attached to a protective cover;
- a non-mechanical detector for detecting positions of said hinge within said slot:
- a switch coupled to said non-mechanical detector for generating a signal to automatically power up said processor, said display screen and said digitizer when said hinge is rotated such that said cover is not laid over said

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display screen and wherein said switch is also for generating a signal to automatically place said processor, said display screen and said digitizer into a power conservation mode when said hinge is rotated such that said cover is laid over said display screen.

- (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 18 wherein 19. said detector is located within said slot.
- 20. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 19 wherein said detector is an electrical detector.
- 21. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 18 wherein said computer system is a palmtop computer system.
- 22. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 18 further comprising a battery, wherein said battery constantly supplies power to said memory unit but selectively supplies power to said processor, said display screen and said digitizer based on a mode of said switch.
- 23. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 18 and further comprising an on/off button for placing said processor, said display screen and said digitizer into said power conservation mode when pressed while said computer system is powered on and wherein said on/off button is

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for powering on said processor, said display screen and said digitizer when pressed while said computer system is in said power conservation mode.

24. (Original) A computer system as described in Claim 18 wherein said digitizer comprises:

a first region for capturing stroke data associated with alphabetic characters and not numeric characters; and

a second region for capturing stroke data associated with numeric characters and not alphabetic characters.

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